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SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT
DOCKET NO. 50-400/LICENSE NO. NPF-63
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION BASES CHANGE: Undervoltage and Underfrequency – Reactor Coolant Pump Buses

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Harris Nuclear Plant (HNP) is providing a revised Technical Specifications (TS) Bases page for TS 2.2.1, "Reactor Trip System Instrumentation Setpoints" for the Undervoltage and Underfrequency – Reactor Coolant Pump Buses. This TS Bases change is being made as an improvement to provide clarification wording consistent with TS 1.29 Definitions, TS 4.3.1.2 Surveillance Requirements, and Final Safety Analysis Report Sections 5.4.1.3, 7.2.1, 15.0.6 and 16.3.

The revised TS Bases page is provided in the Attachment to this letter.

Please refer any questions regarding this subject to me at (919) 362-3137.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David H. Corlett'.

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Steam Generator Water Level

The Steam Generator Water Level Low-Low trip protects the reactor from loss of heat sink in the event of a sustained steam/feedwater flow mismatch resulting from loss of normal feedwater. The specified Setpoint provides allowances for starting delays of the Auxiliary Feedwater System.

Steam/Feedwater Flow Mismatch and Low Steam Generator Water Level

The Steam/Feedwater Flow Mismatch in coincidence with a Steam Generator Low Water Level trip is not used in the transient and accident analyses but is included in Table 2.2-1 to ensure the functional capability of the specified trip settings and thereby enhance the overall reliability of the Reactor Trip System. This trip is redundant to the Steam Generator Water Level Low-Low trip. The Steam/Feedwater Flow Mismatch portion of this trip is activated when the steam flow exceeds the feedwater flow by the setpoint value. The Steam Generator Low Water level portion of the trip is activated when the setpoint value is reached, as indicated by the narrow range instrument. These trip values include sufficient allowance in excess of normal operating values to preclude spurious trips but will initiate a Reactor trip before the steam generators are dry. Therefore, the required capacity and starting time requirements of the auxiliary feedwater pumps are reduced and the resulting thermal transient on the Reactor Coolant System and steam generators is minimized.

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